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Docket No. PHUS-28

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:
FAOUR, J. et al.
Serial No.: 09/770,901
Filed: 01/26/2001



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Group Art Unit: 1617
Examiner: Shaojia A. Jiang

For: Pharmaceutical compositions
containing COX-II inhibitor and a
muscle relaxant

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant petitions for a two-month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed April 9, 2002, a response to which was due July 9, 2002. This petition, if granted, will extend the period for response until September 9, 2002, which does not exceed the statutory period.

Applicant claims SMALL ENTITY status. Enclosed is a check in the amount \$360.00 in payment of the extension fee (\$200.00) and the appeal fee (\$160.00) for filing the accompanying Notice of Appeal.

In view of the foregoing it is requested that this petition be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

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